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First Named Inventor	Leon P. JANIK
Art Unit	1723
Examiner Name	Terry K. CECIL
Attorney Docket Number	STAN/322/US

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ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

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- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

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iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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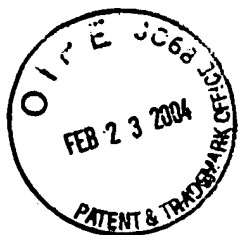
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In re patent application of LEON P. JANIK et al

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2003, Applicant requests continued examination of the application, including entry and consideration of the following amendment and remarks.

A Request for Continued Examination and the necessary fees are enclosed.